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Dear Laird:

I greatly appreciated your letter of September 28 and what you have to say about the work I have done here.

Looking back one always feels that one could have used the last ten years better than one has; however, on the whole, I think that despite some of the newspaper criticism, a good start has been made toward developing an effective intelligence service for this country.

In private life, I hope to help this along in any way I can. I appreciate your thoughts.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles Director

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